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JOHN R. WALSH

WILL NOT BE CRIMINALLY PROSECUTED SAYS SECRETARY LESLIE M. SHAW.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 28.—There will be no criminal prosecution of John R. Walsh, so far as the government

is concerned. Secretary of the Treasury Shaw who arrived here to-day is the authority for this statement. Shaw declared Walsh had not taken one dishonest dollar from the banks and that for every dollar loaned to him gilt-edged security was placed in the bank. The Secretary declared that Walsh had done nothing more than almost every banker in the United

States is doing to-day and which cannot be stopped by the government without closing all the banks.

Walsh's national bank loaned more than 10 per cent. of its capitalization to Walsh, said Shaw. "This is done by almost all banks and has been done for years."

Shaw denied that he came to Chicago expressly to look into the Walsh

affair.

Richard Witterstater, of Cincinnati, has just sold to the Chicago Carnation Association, of Joliet, Ill., the carnation "Aristocrat" for \$35.00. It is a deep pink and was produced at the Witterstater greenhouse. This is the highest price ever paid for such a plant.

THE STAGE

"San Toy."

"San Toy," which comes to the Grand Opera House to-night is again duplicating its former success. The critics are again singing its praise, and no wonder, for it is one of the cleanest, jolliest, and liveliest comedies that has ever enraptured the musical comedy world. Never does it bring a blush, but instead creates laughter that is responsible. "San Toy" as presented here by Mr. John C. Fisher, will have the benefit of an exceptionally strong cast and in the mounting will present stage pictures which for artistic excellence have not been equalled in any

secret leaks out and the mandarin is ordered to appear at the court of Peking and bring the daughter with him. Yen How is in great danger of losing his head, but San Toy captures the emperor and speedily becomes the favorite lady of his court. For her sake the emperor spares her father's life and also gives his consent for her marriage to the English soldier, thus causing the final curtain to fall on as agreeable a climax as was ever designed for musical comedy.

"The Rajah of Bhong."

"The Rajah of Bhong" will be presented for the first time in Fairmont at the Grand Opera House on New Year's Day, matinee and night.

The opera is the joint work of William C. Roberts and Hal Campbell, who have many successes to their credit.

known "The Ballerina," "The Sun," "The Flag of the U. S. A.," "In the Day When New Year's Comes," and "The Tale of the Wasp."

The Clay Baker.

Do you believe in the transmigration of souls? If you do or don't, go and see William V. Mong, the talented young California character actor, in his famous portrayal of old Peter Denig, the quiet clay baker in Jeannette Stevens Kelley's great play, and you will see and hear something quite out of the ordinary. The story of this wonderful play surrounds the life and habits of this eccentric old inventor, who during his time was a familiar figure in the streets of Chambersburg, Pa. During the early part of the present season Mr. Mong and his company played at Chambersburg and made the old natives of the town who had known Peter Denig become convinced that Mr. Mong possessed Peter Denig's soul. If you have any doubts about it, go and see for yourself.

The management of the Grand Opera House take a great pleasure in announcing an engagement with William V. Mong, the talented character actor and his splendid company in Jeannette Stevens Kelley's great play in four handsomely staged acts "The Clay Baker," at the Opera House Tuesday evening, January 2.

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE.

Vincent Serrano and William Courtenay, who have been playing in Virginia Hearn's company in "La Belle Marcellaise," have returned to the east of "Mrs. Loringwell's Boots."

William A. Brady is to produce in Milwaukee next week a drama with entirely Indian characters. Grace George to play the role of a queen. The piece is called "The Maid of Namah." An organization which calls itself the New Musical Society of America has been formed in New York, for the purpose of encouraging native musical composition, especially in the serious line of overtures, symphonies and similar orchestral compositions.

Robert Mantell, the tragedian, has signed a contract for a period of years with Mr. William A. Brady. He has demonstrated during his run in New York the present season that he is an artist in the delineation of Shakespeare's heavier characters. Mr. Brady has made arrangements with Manager Ford for Mr. Mantell's early appearance in Baltimore with a strong company of players and entirely new costume and scenic effects. His Baltimore repertoire will include "Richard III," "Richard II," "Macbeth," "Romeo and Juliet," "King Lear," "Othello" and "Hamlet."

That Miss Bertha Galloway is as popular when the curtain is down as she is with the officers of the Irish regiment in "Sweet Kitty Bellairs" was proved after the Christmas matinee of that play at the Empire Theatre, Newark, when Stage Manager Arthur Barry, on behalf of the members of her company, presented the young star with a handsome silver loving-cup, suitably engraved. A cut-glass punchbowl from the carpenters and property man of the organization also testified to the affectionate esteem inspired among the hardest and least appreciated workers in her elaborate production of the celebrated Belasco comedy.

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Miss Violet Chamberlain, Daughter of General John B. Chamberlain, of Toronto, Canada. Miss Chamberlain is a noted Canadian beauty and a member of the San Toy Co. which appears here to-night, December 29.

previous production of musical comedy.

The story of "San Toy" tells how Yen How, a mandarin, to save his daughter from the emperor's harem rears her as a boy. He succeeds in the deception until the girl, San Toy, falls in love with an English officer, when

and it has been staged and rehearsed under the personal direction of Signor Ernest Salvatore, whose ability in this line is unquestioned.

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